

JUDGE DAY TALKS

On the Arduous Work of the Peace Commission.

MATTER OF COMPENSATION.

Ridiculous Stories Afloat as to the Sum to be Paid the Commissioners For Their Services--No Truth in the Much Heralded Report of \$100,000 Fee--The President Fixes the Compensation--There were but Two Critical Points in the Negotiations, Cuban debt and Philippine Cession.

CANTON, O., Dec. 25.--Judge Day, president of the late peace commission, and Mrs. Day, reached their Canton home in time to take Christmas dinner with the family. They arrived at 10:15 this morning over the Pennsylvania railroad. There was no formal greeting arranged for them, but a committee of the Stark County Bar, several personal friends and members of their family were at the station to meet them.

The judge is in excellent health and spirits, and the trip abroad has evidently been beneficial. Mrs. Day is also in excellent health and, notwithstanding sea sickness on the return voyage, came to her home in much better health than when she left it.

Judge Day, when asked as to his plans for the future, said he expects to remain in Canton and resume the practice of law in the firm of which he was a member before entering the cabinet of President McKinley. The work of the commission ended when the treaty was delivered to the President and he does not expect to visit Washington again in connection with any duties on that commission.

Asked as to whether he had any desires which the state of Ohio could satisfy, he said:

"If you refer to political desires, I have not. My only ambition is to be allowed to pursue the practice of my profession."

Later in the interview he authorized the direct statement that under no circumstances would he be a candidate for governor, as has been reported during his absence in Paris.

Ridiculous Talk.

While he talked freely on many matters connected with his work in Paris, Judge Day did not feel at liberty to give an interview in detail on the work of the commission. He said the talk of \$100,000 compensation for the commissioners or of any sum approaching that amount was ridiculous and preposterous.

The President fixes the compensation of the commissioners and none of them. It is safe to say, accepted the duties as a speculation. None of them has an idea of a large fee, such as would have been paid had they performed the duties in the capacity of regularly retained attorneys. There is no actual precedent on which to base an estimate, but the prediction is ventured that the compensation of the commissioners will not exceed \$15,000 each, and reasonable expenses incurred on the trip and in Paris. These expenses, however, will not include those incurred for the wives and families of the attaches of the commission, because all such went on the journey entirely independent of the commission, and were in no way a charge upon the official party. It is probable that the stories of large compensation were suggested by payments in treaty negotiations of the past, notably the Behring Sea matter, and Mr. Foster's work in connection with the China and Japan treaty. In the case of Mr. Foster there is no parallel to the Paris commission. He was retained for a very large fee to perform certain duties. In the case of the Behring Sea the commissioners were paid very modest sums for their work, but associated with them were a number of attorneys of note in the capacity of counsel looking after large interests, and as such were paid liberal fees.

Arduous Duties.

A number of friends have called on Judge Day since his return and to them he has talked entertainingly. The work at Paris was felt by the commissioners to be arduous and left little or no opportunity for pleasures which the judge would have been glad to have enjoyed in a city which impressed him with its beauty and historic interest. The French government treated the commissioners very well, and the room in which the negotiations were conducted was a magnificent one, well adapted to the work in hand. The Americans were in session every day and during long hours most days, during their sojourn in Paris.

They took a vast amount of testimony bearing on the questions to be disposed of and were in constant communication with the President. Whenever, under instructions from Washington, the American position was closely defined, a session was held with the Spanish representatives and at such sessions the Americans always presented a firm and united position.

But Two Critical Points.

There were but two critical periods in the negotiations, the first regarding the Cuban debt, which was an open question for more than a month during which time the Americans never wavered from the position presented to the Spaniards. The other was upon Philippine cession, and after the Americans had reached a conclusion in their own councils as to the concessions that could be granted, there was no deviation and the Spaniards finally accepted.

Returned to Life.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 25.--Architect William W. Slack, who was supposed to have been drowned in the Delaware river about two months ago by the upsetting of his boat near White Hill, returned to his home to-day. Slack's whereabouts had been known to his friends for some time, and it is said he was in an institution for mental treatment. No other explanation other than this was given for his disappearance. His domestic relations were pleasant, and he had no other financial troubles other than his business was not particularly prosperous. Slack is now with his wife's children.

CELEBRATED CONTEST

Over the Will of a Wealthy Spinster of Chambersburg, Pa.--Mrs. Philip Henry Moore, of this City, One of the Beneficiaries.

CHAMBERSBURG, Pa., Dec. 25.--The termination so far as the local courts are concerned, of a contest over a \$75,000 estate, has been reached here in the decision handed down by Judge Stewart in the matter of the will of Miss Anna McGovern, a wealthy spinster who died here about two years ago.

Miss McGovern died leaving no nearer relatives than first cousins, of whom there are seven. Five of these cousins, she alleged, had ignored her in life and in her will she intended to disinheritor them. The five are Mrs. Kate R. Johnston and Mrs. Frances Lehr, of Baltimore; Mrs. Louisa V. Murdock, of Washington; Mrs. Elizabeth Debow and Mrs. Mary Symens, of St. Louis. The two favored cousins are Mrs. Mary A. Loughboro, of San Francisco, and Mrs. Philip H. Moore, of Wheeling, W. Va.

The peculiar construction of the will gave those the aged woman intended to disinherit an opportunity to contest it, and they have already spent between \$3,000 and \$4,000 in the legal battle. Their first contention was that Miss McGovern was not of proper testamentary capacity. Judge Stewart decided the will good and the supreme court sustained him. Then the auditor ruled that the disinheritor code to the instrument was void because it did not provide specifically for the disposition of the shares of those who were intended to be cut off. The two favored cousins took exceptions to the auditor's finding that all seven were to share equally because of this technicality, and Judge Stewart has just decided that the residue of the estate, about \$40,000, is to be divided equally between Mrs. Loughboro and Mrs. Moore. The case will again be appealed to the supreme court.

ENGINES COME TOGETHER.

A Bad Wreck at Lexington, Ky.--Nine Injured, Two Fatally.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 25.--The worst wreck in this vicinity in ten years occurred in the suburbs of the city near Pepper's distillery at 2 o'clock this afternoon. A Louisville & Nashville engine and a Chesapeake & Ohio engine, No. 90, pulling an extra freight train, collided, and as a result nine men are badly injured, two probably fatally and both engines demolished. The yard engine was backing down in the yard and the freight train was coming from Louisville. The foreman heard the latter, which was around a sharp curve, whistle, and started for a switch as the only way of avoiding a collision. He was unable to make the switch and the two engines collided. The Louisville & Nashville engine was completely demolished and the wreck was carried 300 feet down the track. The Chesapeake & Ohio engine was run back through the tender and the whole front beaten in.

All the Louisville & Nashville employees jumped and all were injured, two probably fatally. The Chesapeake & Ohio men remained at their posts and were not seriously hurt. Yard Clerk Hornbrook and Foreman Morrissey, on the Louisville & Nashville engine, will almost certainly die. The injured:

Lester Hornbrook, L. & N. yard clerk, arm broken, skull fractured; probably died.

R. C. Vaughn, L. & N. fireman, leg broken.

Al Clark, L. & N. switchman, right arm broken and right shoulder fractured; head badly bruised.

William Morrissey, L. & N. foreman, internal injuries; probably died.

James Douglas, L. & N. foreman, scalp wound in back of head, right leg broken; body badly bruised.

George Hand, L. & N. engineer, badly bruised and left shoulder mashed.

John Collins, L. & N. switchman, badly bruised.

Conductors Meadows and Fireman John Jones, of the Chesapeake & Ohio, both escaped injury but were badly bruised.

WEYLER CONSPIRING

For Sagasta's Shoes--Political Negotiations at a Standstill.

LONDON, Dec. 25.--The Madrid correspondence of the Standard says: "Senor Sagasta's illness has brought to a standstill the political crisis, and the negotiations for the reorganization of the Liberal party. Many Liberals are opposed to General Weyler becoming minister of war, because they fear he will aspire to succeed Sagasta as the leader of the party."

Liberal publishes an interview with General Weyler, in the course of which he is represented as declining to give any information regarding the crisis but as insisting upon the necessity for a strong government. Such a government could not, he said, be from a party line drawn by Senor Silvela. General Weyler hinted that the country would run great risk unless powers were placed in the hands of a Sagasta-Weyler coalition government.

Carlos 'Still In It.'

LONDON, Dec. 25.--The Venice correspondent of the Times says:

"Don Carlos, who is in perfect health desires me to deny absolutely the report that he contemplates abdicating. On the contrary he says he is more resolved than ever to fulfill his role to the end. He authorizes me to assert that he has asked no audience for the Pope and has requested nothing else of his holiness."

Financial Aid for Carlos.

ROME, Dec. 25.--The Agenzia Italia asserts that a German syndicate has promised Don Carlos a loan of thirty million francs, in three instalments--the first when he has three thousand men under arms, the second when he has captured Bilbao, capital of the province of Bizcaya, and the third two months after operations are commenced.

In Kentucky, Too.

LEXINGTON, KY., Dec. 25.--This was the first day in the history of Lexington that thirty men could not get a drink. Every saloon in the city was closed by mutual agreement of the proprietors. This action was brought about by the fact that the recent grand jury indicted all saloonkeepers for violating the Sunday law.

Grip's Sudden Call.

MILLVILLE, N. J., Dec. 25.--Mr. and Mrs. William Chew, well known residents of Berlin, this state, were taken ill with the grip this morning, while spending Christmas with their son, ex-President of Council Reuben Chew, and both died suddenly this morning.

A HOT CHRISTMAS.

Summer Heat with Turkeys Seven Dollars Apiece

AND THE FLOWERS IN BLOOM.

That was the Experience of the American Troops Yesterday Encamped Near Havana--Some of the Regiments had Extra "Spreads," but Would have Preferred them Seasoned with a Little Snow--General Lee will Keep his Lean Bird Until New Years to Allow it to take on Flesh.

HAVANA, Dec. 25.--Christmas at Camp Quemados was as lively as the troops could make it with slender materials. Turkeys at \$7 apiece were scarce and everybody said that with the heat at a summer temperature and the hedge rows brilliant with flowers, the day did not seem much like Christmas.

All the company messes of the Forty-ninth Iowa, the First North Carolina, the Fourth Virginia, the Second Illinois and the One Hundred and Sixty-first Indiana regiments had extra "spreads" out of company funds, with gifts from well-to-do members. The army ration was supplemented by fruit, canned goods, sweet potatoes and some times chicken. The Sixth Missouri regiment, the last to arrive, had no chance to prepare an extra dinner, so the men dined on fresh beef, rice and beans. One battalion reached camp yesterday, the other two marching to-day a distance of eight miles over a dusty road. All the regimental bands played and the men were granted leave of absence within a mile of camp. Company F, of the One Hundred and Sixty-first Indiana regiment had a cactus tree with a present for everybody stuck on the points, as for instance, hard tack, beans, salt pork and candles. The officers of the One Hundred and Sixty-first Indiana indulged after dinner in songs and speecmaking with several solo duets.

El Yodado the Eighth and Tenth regular infantry regiments dined well at the expense of the company funds.

Major General Lee and his staff partook of a modest dinner. Gen. Lee had a number of live turkeys available, but as the birds are very lean, he decided to keep them, on the chance of improvement for the New Year's feast, after the flag raising. Gen. Lee spent most of the day on horseback, studying the route for the New Year's day parade. The streets are too narrow to allow the troops to march past the palace, so that the route will probably be through the Prado and Central Park to Cerro, the Havana suburb. Gen. Lee expects to have 11,000 men, including the Cubans, in the military procession.

Maj. Gen. Butler will go to Matanzas and Cienfuegos to-morrow night on official business. The American troops are able to take possession of San Amos hospital.

O. S. Beaver, the United States postal agent in Havana, has complained to the postmaster general on the irregularity in the arrival of mails from the United States.

The United States troops have begun this evening a regular patrol of the city of Havana, in order to guard against possible disorders. The day, however, passed in comparative quiet. A bando issued Friday by Capt. Gen. Jimenez Castelfranco, prohibiting crowds from assembling in the streets, has been generally observed.

Last night there was some disturbance, said to have been caused by liquor, in Montserrat Place. A shot was fired about midnight from a roof at a group of people below and many shots were returned at figures vaguely seen on the roof. An unidentified man was killed and three were wounded in other affrays.

The Day at Santiago.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Dec. 25.--Christmas passed without local disorder. There were few private dinners given to celebrate the day among the Americans, as most of them prefer to hold their festivities to-morrow. Last evening three companies of United States troops guarded the city as a precaution against possible disturbances, some of the Cuban negroes having made threats against Spaniards and Spanish property. But to-night went by quietly.

Sick West Virginia Soldiers.

CAMP POLAND, KNOXVILLE, Dec. 25.--Within another week the military hospital here will be a thing of the past. The army hospital train from Fort McPherson, Atlanta, Ga., arrived this morning and left to-night with forty-two sick soldiers. The train will take these patients to Fort McPherson, where they will be attended until they recover. They are from the Sixth Ohio, Thirty-first Michigan, Second Ohio and First West Virginia regiments. Six patients are left in the hospital here.

NARROW ESCAPE

Of the Chilean Minister and Family From Death by Flames.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 25.--Fire which broke out shortly after 7 o'clock to-day, partly destroyed the house occupied by Senor Don Carlos Morale Vienna, the Chilean minister, at the corner of Connecticut avenue and N street. The roof and top story were destroyed and the furniture of the whole house ruined by smoke and water, entailing a loss of \$10,000. The minister and his family escaped, owing to the coolness and energy of the twelve-year old son Carlos, but the flames made such headway that the inmates were unable to secure clothing, and were compelled to hurry out in their night robes. All took refuge for a time in the British embassy, just across the street, where they were cared for by Lady Pauncefoot and her daughter. Two maid servants were overcome with fright, and had to be taken from the house. The governess, Signora Manfredi, received a bad fall climbing upstairs in an attempt to secure clothing for Madame Gana.

The fire was caused by an overheated fire. It was discovered by the son Carlos, who slept on the third floor, through whose instrumentality his three sisters, occupying rooms on the same floor, the maids, who slept upstairs, and the father and mother, who slept on the second floor, were awakened and apprised of their danger. The house was formerly occupied by Senor Mendonca, the Brazilian minister.

Cathedral Ruined by Fire.

HARRISBURG, PA., Dec. 25.--St. Patrick's Pro-Cathedral, the church of the Bishop of Harrisburg, Roman Catholic diocese, was ruined by fire this af-

ternoon. Shortly after 1 o'clock a blaze was discovered in the rear of the church near the altar and the Christmas decorations were soon ablaze. The flames ran up the rear wall and got between the roof and the ceiling, pushing their way to the front of the church. The entire interior was flooded before the fire was put out. The altar ornaments and sacred vestments were saved. The organ was ruined by fire and water. Loss \$14,000, fully insured. Electric light wires crossing caused the fire.

A FALLIBLE STATISTICIAN.

An Englishman who Predicted a Wheat Famine Taken to Task.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 25.--J. R. Dodge, for many years statistician of the United States department of agriculture, at Washington, has written to the Country Gentleman an exhaustive answer to the address of Sir William Crookes before the British Science Association, in which the latter predicted a great wheat famine. He takes Sir William to task for presenting inaccurate figures.

He says: "Sir William Crookes declared that there is already a deficit of wheat area of 31,000 square miles, or approximately 20,000,000 acres, rather unreasonable in view of the fact that this area at present rate of yield would produce nearly 300,000,000 bushels, while the European deficiency, which is the principal one in the world, is by the Beerholm record only 120,000,000 bushels average in the last eight years. He assumes the present annual requirement for bread is 2,324,000,000 bushels of wheat, while the official and expert estimates of the period since 1890 average more than that figure, the compilation of such estimates for seven years by the department of agriculture averaging 2,477,845,000, an excess of over 150,000,000; though the eminent scientist almost as lame in his statistics of consumption as he is in those of production, really minimizing both. He makes the supply of the year only 1,921,000,000 while in the statement quoted above, the product of 1897, the smallest of seven years is given as 2,214,000,000. It is a very unreliable forecast that underestimates production nearly 10 per cent."

"It would be uncharitable to hope for wheat growers would feel very dependent over a prospect of good prices."

The Crookes view is a distinct encouragement to them; and similar views have been put forth before, sometimes apparently in the hope of raising prices. Unfortunately, when exaggerated, a temporary rise of 10 per cent is followed (as the result of natural reaction and from the effect of increase of area, stimulated by a fall of 20 to 30 per cent as between 1891 and 1893. It is hard to convince people, scientists as well as plain people, that honesty is the best policy and truth in statistics cannot be departed from. The practice of stock exchanges as well as that of bucket shops to secure a temporary advantage, can never aid the cause of science or of rural economy."

A SUBSTITUTED SATCHEL.

An East Liverpool Woman Mourns Loss of Money and Diamonds.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 25.--Mrs. William L. Smith, of East Liverpool, O., who reached Trenton yesterday on a visit to her father, Richard Barlow, reported to the local police that a satchel containing \$1,500 in money and diamonds was stolen from her on the train. She was riding in a Pullman car and missed the satchel at Allegheny, Pa., when she discovered that a similar satchel had been substituted for her own in her seat while she was in a toilet room of the car. The matter was reported to the conductor and a description was telegraphed back of a man and woman who left the car at Rochester, Pa.

Mrs. Smith's husband is a pottery manufacturer at East Liverpool.

President's Quiet Day.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.--Christmas was observed very quietly in Washington. The weather was cool and bracing. In the Presidential circle the day was a very quiet one. The President and Mrs. McKinley have several friends from Ohio stopping at the White House and with them a half dozen others formerly living in their native state, their Christmas dinner was enjoyed. During the evening Secretary and Mrs. Gage and Postmaster General and Mrs. Emory Smith called and spent some time socially at the executive mansion. The President and Mrs. McKinley took advantage of the fine weather and went out for a drive during the afternoon. The President, accompanied by Mr. James Barber, Mrs. McKinley's nephew, attended divine service at the Metropolitan church at 11 o'clock and listened to a sermon by the Rev. Dr. Bristol.

Church Not Yet Regenerated.

NASHVILLE, TENN., Dec. 25.--Rev. Dr. J. I. Vance, of the First Presbyterian church, in his sermon to-day urged the wiping out of the terms "north" and "south," applied to the church, and saying: "I wonder if the time is not at hand for the effacement of geographical marks from the name of our beloved Presbyterian church in America. She should be the first to put into practice the gospel she proclaimed. And yet I must be admitted that while Mason and Dixon's line has disappeared from the geography of citizenship, it survives in the geography of the church. I speak to-day for a Presbyterianism that shall no more be marked north or south, but whose territorial boundaries shall be co-terminus with the utmost limits of the republic, an American Presbyterian church."

Another Mill Comes In.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 25.--A special to the Journal from Canal Dover, O., says: The black plate plant of the Reaves Iron company, which manufactures plates for the tinning plant here, owned by Philadelphia capitalists, has been sold to the American Tin Mill trust, now forming, with headquarters at Chicago. Negotiations are also pending for the sale of the tinning plant. The Reaves mill will be shut down January 1, when involving will begin. Great concern is felt by the employees lest the plant will be abandoned at this point by the trust. In that event, however, it is believed it will be taken by the Reaves people and converted into a sheet mill.

News of the Oregon.

LIMA, PERU, VIA GALVESTON, TEX., Dec. 25.--The United States retractor supply ship Celtic, of Commodore Barker's squadron, which with the battleships Oregon and Iowa, the collier Scandia and the dispatch ship Iria, left Tompkinsville, Staten Island, on October 12, arrived this morning at Callao, the port of Lima.

KEPT POLICE BUSY

Philadelphia's Ghastly Record of Twenty-four Hours.

ENTIRELY OUT OF SEASON.

A Mixed up Shooting Affray that may Result in a Triple Murder--Flames Claim four Victims During the Christmas Period, all of the Deaths Caused by the Deadly oil Lamp--Other Incidents of a Criminal Nature Include Sandbagging and Robbery.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 25.--The "Peace and Good Will" season of the past twenty-four hours have kept the police of this city busier than they have been for many a day. The gravest case which called for their services may result in a triple murder. It occurred to-night in a disreputable court near Eleventh and Race streets.

Mrs. Mary Johnson and Mrs. Alice White, both colored women, 23 years of age, were shot in the head and body and Charles H. Moore, a 34-year-old white man, was shot in the back by George St. Clair, colored.

Mrs. White is not expected to live through the night and the other two victims are in a critical condition. The shooting occurred in Mrs. Johnson's house. According to her statement St. Clair, who lives nearby, accompanied by a colored friend from Washington, name unknown, forced an entrance while the women were sleeping and finally drawing a revolver and firing three shots, all of which took effect. Moore, who was unknown to the parties, was looking for another house when he accidentally stumbled into the place while St. Clair was shooting. The pistol was promptly turned on him and he was shot in the back.

St. Clair and his companion escaped and up to a late hour had not been captured.

Flames found four victims during the Christmas period. Mrs. John Ford and her infant daughter were burned to death at their house in a fire caused by the explosion of an oil lamp, and Miss Mary Coyle, aged 70 years, met death from a like cause. She fell down stairs with a lighted lamp in her hand.

Mrs. Kate McNichol, aged 42, was terribly burned by the upsetting of an oil lamp at her home and died to-night. Griffith Harvey, an 83-year-old colored man, fell from a third story window of his home last night and died from a fractured skull.

John McAvary was sandbagged by two men who followed him from a Camden saloon early this morning and robbed him of \$46. He will recover.

Miss Emma Lamparter, also of Camden, was walking to the ferry after a night's shopping in this city, when she was "help up" by a negro, who fired at her with a revolver. She had her gun, but her assailant was frightened off without booty.

CHRISTMAS SPREES

Result in Two Terrible Affrays in a New Jersey Town.

PLAINFIELD, N. J., Dec. 25.--The twin towns, New Market and Dunellen, were startled at 1 o'clock this morning by two alarms of murder. One victim of a fiendish assault lies at the point of death, with three stab wounds in the left side, touching the heart, and a woman, beaten by a burly man, is seriously hurt. Gus Roantree, a troublesome citizen of New Market, was out on a Christmas spree, and went into Nelson's Hotel about 11 o'clock. He was intoxicated, and called for liquor. He was refused, because the proprietor never to sell him anything. Thereupon Roantree became boisterous, and insulted George Pizle, a respectable young man of the town.

The latter for a time avoided trouble, but when Roantree applied an ugly epithet to him, he struck at him, and the two clashed. Pizle was thrown down, and while he was on the floor Roantree drove a knife into his side several times. Pizle, even after that, made a hard fight, although he was bleeding profusely, and nearly overturned his assailant. Roantree soon after left for his home, nearby, and returning with his brother defied the crowd that had formed to pursue him. He later got away, and is in hiding, but the Plainfield police are on his track. He has been arrested several times before for terrorizing the town.

While officers were hunting for Roantree another officer came in with Michael Granz, known as the "Russian Bear," who lived in Dunellen, and who was charged with a murderous assault upon Mrs. Keau, with whom he boarded. Without warning, he attacked the woman in the night, when she was alone, and only the prompt arrival of neighbors in answer to her calls saved her from terrible injuries. She was beaten about the head and neck, and presented a pitiful plight when found. Granz was committed to the New Brunswick jail.

No Wonder he Shot.

WILKESBARRE, PA., Dec. 25.--Eugene Welome fired a load of shot into Edward Kinslow's breast to-day and Kinslow's friends, Horace Logan and John Phoenix, took the gun away from Welome and beat him into unconsciousness. Neither man is dangerously wounded. The trouble was caused by Kinslow, Logan and Phoenix dragging Welome out of bed and trying to make him drink with them. All are colored.

Shot his Sweetheart.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.--Mamie Komly, a seventeen-year-old girl, was shot in the heart and killed to-day at her home on Eighth avenue, by Frank Nutty, a postoffice clerk, nineteen years old. At the same time Nutty shot himself through the head and was taken to a hospital and it is believed he will die. Nutty was formerly a suitor of the girl, but recently they quarreled.

Not With the Spirit of the Day.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 25.--At a Christmas tree celebration at Aught, a small town in Osage county, John Holloway shot and killed Jule Holloit, one of the oldest and most prominent citizens of Osage county, result of long standing differences. Holloway shot his victim five times. He fled, and has not been apprehended.

Caused by Liquor.

SCOOBA, Miss., Dec. 25.--Thomas and William Brantley, brothers, were shot and instantly killed last night at Enon-

dale by Eugene Dennis, an 18-year-old boy. The brothers, accompanied by their father, attempted to enter the store of Dennis. It is said, intending violence, whereupon young Dennis opened fire on the Brantleys with the above result. The trouble was caused by liquor.

A Pitched Battle.

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 25.--A crowd of several thousand whites and blacks gathered by the burning of a saloon building, became involved in a race riot this evening, and before the battle had ended two persons had been killed, five were seriously wounded and a dozen others slightly injured. In addition one man fell dead on the sidewalk during the fire, and a woman was fatally injured in jumping from a window of the burning building. The saloon was filled with a crowd of men who were celebrating Christmas by carousing and drinking.

CUTRIGHT-CARPER.

Marriage of Principal of West Liberty Normal School at Washington. Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 25.--Mr. W. B. Cutright and Miss Carrie C. Carper, both of Buckhannon, W. Va., were married at the residence of Rev. Lucien Clark, pastor of Foundry Methodist Episcopal church, 1335 G street, N. W., this morning, at 9 o'clock.

There were only a few intimate friends of the parties present. The bride wore a dark blue traveling suit. After the wedding they were driven to the Hotel Johnson, where they had apartments engaged. They left on the noon train for Philadelphia, and will return to Washington Monday.

Both parties are well known in West Virginia. The groom is principal of the West Liberty normal school, and was elected at the recent election to the house of delegates from Upshur county.

Mr. Guy Cutright, of Cairo, W. Va., the groom's brother, accompanied them to Philadelphia.

WILL CONTEST.

Disposition of the Cyrus Brown Estate Taken to the Court.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

STEUBENVILLE, O., Dec. 25.--William P. and Thomas Moore, executors of Cyrus Moore, who died in this county leaving a large estate, have begun suit against twenty-seven heirs, which includes four families named Dallas, Morris, Moore and Johnson, residing in Jefferson, Harrison and Belmont counties, to get a construction on one item in the will and one in the codicil.

The court is asked to determine whether the item in the codicil means that a separate and additional gift go to Mary Dallas, or whether it was intended for a reduction in the amount set apart for her in the will. A large amount is involved. The claim of the Dallas heirs as to the construction is opposed by the executors and other heirs.

THE BADGER CASE.

The Fair Defendant's Beauty too Much for a Susceptible Jury.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.--After twenty-two hours' deliberation, the jury in the Fagne Strahan Moore robbery trial failed to render a verdict and reported the fact of their disagreement to Recorder Coff at 10:15 o'clock this morning and were discharged. The jury were locked up at 2 o'clock this morning. It was rumored at that time that they stood nine for conviction and three for acquittal, and it was also rumored, though it cannot be authoritatively stated, that at the conclusion the jury stood seven for conviction and five for acquittal. All night long the twelve men argued, sending out communications twice to find out the according penalty and also to state they could not agree. Recorder Coff then locked them up and at 9 o'clock this morning they went to breakfast, the foreman sending word to Recorder Coff that they could not reach an agreement and that they were utterly worn out.

Recorder Coff came to the court house at 10:15 o'clock and immediately sent for the jury and discharged them, thanking them for their services. The defendant until Tuesday morning at 10:30 o'clock, when, after a recess until then, the date of a new trial will be set. The prisoner was taken back to the Tombs.

Anglo-American Demonstration.

CAIRO, Dec. 25.--A farewell banquet was tendered this evening to Lieut. Gen. Sir Francis Grenfell, the recently appointed governor of Malta, who now retires from the supreme command of the Anglo-Egyptian forces in Egypt. The presence of Mr. Thomas S. Harrison, United States agent and general consul, and Ethelbert Warrall, United States vice consul general, led to an Anglo-American demonstration. Gen. Grenfell and James Donnel Rodd, secretary of legation at the British agency, spoke warmly of Anglo-Saxon friendship. Mr. Harrison, who was received with immense enthusiasm, made a stirring speech, sparkling with humor, in the course of which he reciprocated their friendly expressions.

Broke Through the Ice.

BROOKLINE, Mass., Dec. 25.--By the sudden breaking of the ice of Lovest pond in the park system this afternoon thirty young girls and boys were thrown into eight feet of water and though numerous spectators and the police worked hard to rescue the children, three were drowned before help could reach them. They were: James W. Clattenburg, Jr., 10 years old, Arthur Collins, 12 years, and Emma Miller, 14 years.

Movements of Steamship.